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## AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated May 23, 2002, setting a 3-month shortened statutory period for a reply ending on August 23, 2002, the Applicants submit the following responsive amendment in the above-identified application. The Applicants believe that this amendment places the application in better condition for allowance.